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Hon. Victor Marrero, U.S.D.J.
United States District Court
for the Southern District of New York
40 Centre Street
New York, New York 10007

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| Request GRANTED. The <u>next status</u> conference herein is rescheduled to <u>9-6-06</u> at <u>10:00 a.m.</u> | |
| SO ORDERED. | |
| <u>8-21-06</u> DATE |  VICTOR MARRERO, U.S.D.J. |

Re: *Alliance for Open Society International v. USAID*, 05-CV-8209

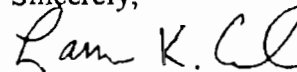
Dear Judge Marrero:

I write, as counsel for Plaintiffs in the above-referenced matter, to respectfully request a postponement of the status conference scheduled for August 25, 2006. I will be representing the Plaintiffs while my colleague Rebekah Diller is on maternity leave. However, I will be away on vacation on the 25th, and will not return until after Labor Day. I have spoken with AUSA Richard Rosberger, who represents the Defendants, and who does not object to this request.

Both Mr. Rosberger and I are available for a status conference all day on Wednesday, September 6. We could also make ourselves available on Tuesday, September 5.

Thank you for your kind consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Laura K. Abel

cc: Richard Rosberger